

## **Improving adherence to long-term opioid therapy guidelines to reduce opioid misuse in primary care: a cluster-randomized trial.**

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Adherence to prescribing [guidelines](#) may help mitigate [misuse](#) of prescription opioids. In this cluster-randomized trial, researchers found that a multicomponent intervention targeting primary care providers improved adherence to opioid prescribing guidelines. An accompanying editorial highlights challenges associated with chronic pain management and suggests directions for further research.